Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program (FFVP) Updates

February 28, 2022



FFVP Updates

- FFVP allocations
- FFVP fund usage
- Flexibilities and reminderscurrent operations
- Applying for FFVP SY 2023
- CNP web resources



FFVP Allocations SY 2022

- Recalculated due to program error in CNP web
- Increase or no change
- Posted on Child Nutrition,
 FFVP webpage
- Funding to be used through September 30, 2022



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Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program (FFVP)

The Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program is one way to provide healthy food to elementary school children. The level of funds provided to any one school depends on the demographics of schools that are selected to participate in the program. Federal guidelines allow funding based on a range of \$50 to \$75.

If you have questions regarding the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program, please contact a member of the Child Nutrition staff.

FFVP Brochure to promote at open houses, parent-teacher conferences, and other community events

SY 2022 Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Awards

FFVP Allocations - January 27, 2022

FFVP Usage Report - January 31, 2022

SP19-2021

(1) This memorandum provides clarification on questions related to the operation of the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program (FFVP) during alternative Child Nutrition Program operations in all States and school food authorities (SFAs) due to the continued public health emergency associated with the novel coronavirus (COVID-19). (2) This memorandum applies to SFAs operating the FFVP. (3) This document relates to section 19 of the National School Lunch Act (NSLA) [42 U.S.C. 1769a].

Funding Structure

FFVP funding aligns with the federal fiscal year

 October 1st through September 30th

When does my allocation begin?

- October 1st of each school year
- <u>Example</u>: Currentyear- start October 1,2021

What about September?

- Funding from prior year
- Example: \$2,000
 remaining from June
 2021 September
 2021

Fund Usage

- Allocation for the year- enrollment x \$53/student (SY 22)
- How well are funds being used?
- Currently no report in CNP web
 - Posted on Child Nutrition webpage *need to subtract September expenses
- Track internally and compare to report on website
- Mid-point review of fund usage
 - Low usage- notified by DOE Child Nutrition

FFVP Flexibilities- SY 2022

Served outside school day (take home)

Non-congregate setting (remote meals, meal pick up)

Served alongside breakfast and lunch

Parent/guardian pick up

Multiple days of FFVP (along with meals)



Reminder: all flexibilities will expire on June 30, 2022!

FFVP in CNP Web

CNP Web



Complete the annual FFVP application



Access to reports related to fund usage (not yet available!)

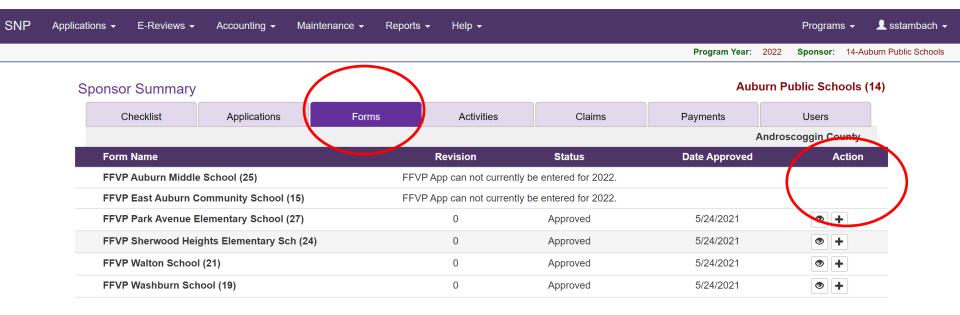
FFVP Fund Usage FFVP Monthly Claim

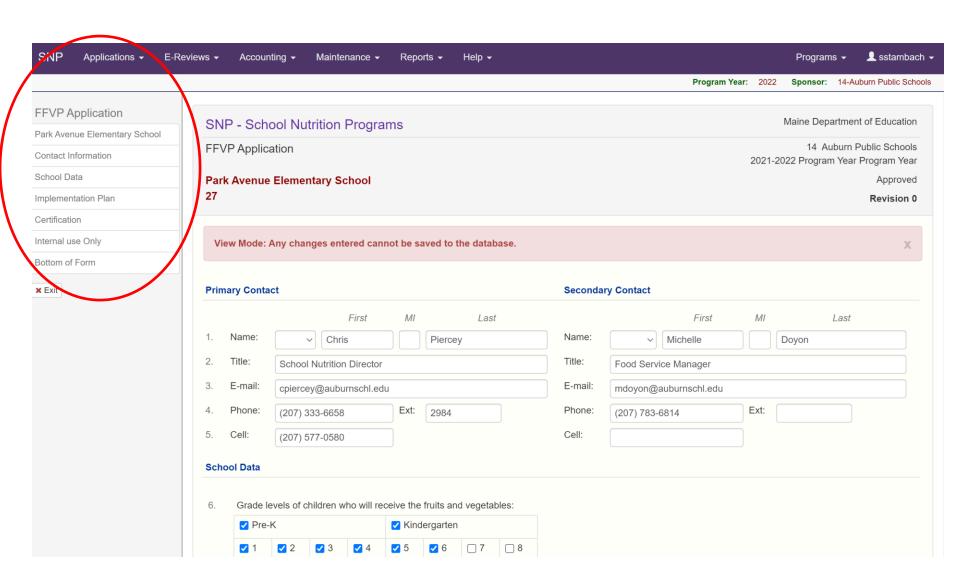


Report FFVP expenses on Site Claim each month

FFVP Applications- SY 2023

- Will open in March 2022
- Completed in CNP web
 - Make sure have ID and password! Contact <u>pamela.partridge@maine.gov</u>.





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CNPWeb

CNPWeb is where Sponsors file their annual participation packet, file monthly claims for reimbursement and manage the Food Distribution Program (USDA Foods).

Access and Permissions

Email either child.nutrition@maine.gov or pamela.partridge@maine.gov to request access. You must indicate your role with CNPWeb as either a Sponsor Admin or Claim Approver.

- Sponsor Admin completes the Annual Application, monthly claim for reimbursement and USDA Foods information.
- Claim Approver is the Legal Agent/Authorized Personnel who approves the monthly claim for reimbursement.
- Verification Only permissions give the user access to enter and edit verification data only.
- View Only access allows for information to be viewed but not edited or deleted.

Login to CNPWeb Here!

If you have questions regarding submitting your claim, please contact a member of the Child Nutrition

Manuals, Guides & Instructions

Webinars

<u>Do you have the right permissions in CNPWeb?</u> (8:00) <u>Claims & Payments</u> (11:00)

CNPWeb User Manuals

<u>FDP</u>

CACFP SNP

CACFP

CNP Web Application Instructions

FFVP

SY22 FFVP Claiming Quick Guide FFVP in CNPWeb (13:00)

SNP - Annual Application Packet

Completing the SY22 Annual Application Packet in

Site Claim Reminders

- FFVP Operating and Administrative Costs
- Operating "Other" costs
 - Report approved large equipment here! (\$5,000 or less)

Operating Costs	Amount
14. Food	3,130.16
15. Labor	904.73
6. Other	80.00
17. Total Operating	4,114.89

Adm	inistrative Costs	Amount
18.	Equipment	0.00
19.	Labor	0.00
20.	Other	0.00
21.	Total Administrative	0.00
22.	Total Claim Amount	4,114.89

Don't forget! Admin costs are limited to 10% of total grant amount

Payments Tab

- Can see FFVP payments (funds spent to date)
- By district, not school



General Reminders

Equipment Requests

- Complete form on our website: https://www.maine.gov/doe/schools/nutrition/programs/ffvp.
- Send to: stephanie.stambach@maine.gov
- Must be reviewed and approved by DOE
- No approval needed for small wares/supplies

Equipment Requests

Examples:

- Fruit/vegetable wedgers and sectionizers
- Carts/lug dollies
- Reach in refrigerators
- Must specify in request the percent used in FFVP vs.
 other CN programs



What to Serve?



FRESH PRODUCE ONLY- AIM FOR VARIETY!



PRE-PACKAGED FRUITS AND VEGETABLES- REDUCES LABOR



PRE-CUT FRUITS AND VEGETABLES- EASIER FOR YOUNGER STUDENTS TO GRAB AND EAT



OFFER WHOLE FRUITS ON DAYS WHEN LABOR IS LIMITED



SERVE LOCAL PRODUCE-SUPPORT MAINE FARMERS



SCHOOL GARDEN PRODUCE

Serving Days

- Minimum 2 days/week
- Can be adjusted at any point during the school year!
- FFVP application is your plan
- Increase number of serving days if low fund usage



Financial Management



Spend funds in a timely manner



Midpoint review during the school year



FFVP Usage Report on Child Nutrition website (in future CNP web)

Stephanie's Top 5 Tips to Spend your Allocation

- Buy pre-packaged fruits and vegetables (high cost, low labor)
- Increase number of servings days (if possible)
- Charge labor to FFVP (operational or admin)
- 4. Purchase large equipment
 - Need DOE approval
- Purchase supplies and small wares
 - No DOE approval needed

On the flip side: if you need MORE money reach out to me!

FFVP Onsite Monitoring

Complete by February 1st of each year, file internally

AGENCY/DISTRICT NAME:	DATE OF REVIEW:		
SITE/SCHOOL NAME:			
What time are the items prepared?	What time are the items served?		
Today's FFVP Menu:			
		YES	NO
Is the FFVP offered during the school day?			
2. Is the FFVP offered outside of breakfast and lunch serving tir	mes?		
3. How many times a week is the FFVP offered at this site?			
Is the FFVP widely publicized at this site? Describe all methods:			
5. How many classrooms were observed as part of this review?)		
Describe how the FFVP items are being served to students of	on the day of this review.		
7. Did the teacher participate in the tasting of the item(s)?			
8. Did nutrition education take place on the day of the review?			
If so, what type?			
Are proper sanitation practices being used in the classroom?	,		
Describe:			

Top 3 Resources

FFVP Handbook- newbies!

Child Nutrition staff- Stephanie

FFVP Webpage:

https://www.maine.gov/doe/schools/nutrition/programs/ffvp

Questions?







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